

DISTRACTED DRIVING IS ILLEGAL



**THE RESULTS
CAN BE DEADLY**

ILLINOIS LAW

on Distracted Driving

Illinois law prohibits the use of hand-held mobile devices, texting or using other electronic communications while operating a motor vehicle.

Driving while holding a mobile device and utilizing the speaker is considered distracted driving and a violation of Illinois law.

A distracted driver involved in a crash with another motorist, bicyclist, pedestrian or other road user may face criminal penalties and prison.

Distracted driving involves any activity that has the potential to distract a motorist from the primary task of safely operating a vehicle. There are three main types of distracted driving:

- Visual – taking your eyes off the road.
- Manual – taking your hands off the wheel.
- Cognitive – taking your mind off what you are doing.

Do you do any of these while driving?

- Text or read messages on your mobile device
- Talk on your mobile device
- Adjust your vehicle GPS
- Adjust the radio/music
- Eat
- Handle children or pets
- Apply makeup or look at yourself in the rearview mirror
- Daydream

If you perform any of these, you are driving while distracted and are 23 times more likely to cause a vehicle crash.

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